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The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

This acknowledges your letter of 1 August 1949, concerning the proposal that the staffs provided for under NSC-4, and NSC-43 be combined.

I consider it most desirable that a member of this Agency serve on the proposed combined staff, and I should like to nominate [redacted] now assigned to the NSC-4 staff, as a full-time representative. It will be appreciated if you will inform me when the proposed staff is established so that [redacted] records may be adjusted as necessary.

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I agree with you that the question of further CIA representation should be examined at a later date in the light of the working experience of the new staff. At the same time, I wish to assure you of my deep and continuing interest in the programs envisaged under NSC-4, and NSC-43 and my intent that this Agency support them to the limits of our proper activity.

Sincerely yours,

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E. H. HULLMAN ETTER
Rear Admiral, USN
Director of Central Intelligence

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